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Thailand Grain and Feed Weekly Rice Price Update 2001

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Report Highlights: Weekly rice price and trade update.

> Includes PSD changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Bangkok [TH1], TH

INDICATIVE PRICES (WEEK ENDING DEC 17):

	EXPORTER	EXPORTER OBSERVATIONS							PERIOD AVG.	
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	CUR.	PRV.	
F WR 100 B	275	260	300	288	280	270	262	276	292	
WR 100 B	184	187	183	185	185	180	185	184	185	
PB 5%	196	190	198	188	198	180	188	191	200	
WR 5%	180	182	177	180	179	175	178	179	180	
WR 15%	177	174	172	171	174	168	172	173	173	
WR 25%	161	167	167	169	157	160	155	162	164	
WR 35%	159	164	165	166	154	157	152	160	161	
A 1 SUP	136	140	134	140	136	132	134	136	136	
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MARKET TONE

EXPORT PRICE QUOTATIONS FOR MOST GRADES OF RICE HAVE SOFTENED SLIGHTLY THIS WEEK, IN RESPONSE TO THE UNCERTAINTY AMONG RICE MILLERS ABOUT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PRICE INTERVENTION SCHEME. TRADERS ANTICIPATE THAT THE BUYING TENDERS BY JAPAN (35,000 TONS OF QUOTA FOR THAILAND AND 39,300 TONS OF GLOBAL QUOTA), WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON DEC 19, MAY ACTIVATE DOMESTIC RICE TRADING IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS.

THE FOLLOWING ARE REPORTED RICE EXPORTS (AS IS BASIS):

			YEAR		
WEEK	QUANTITY	4-WK AVG	TO DATE	YR AGO	
ENDING	(MT)	(MT)	(TMT)	(TMT)	
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NOV 24	164,844	185,559	6,558	5,668	
DEC1	182,914	184,416	6,740	5,842	
DEC8	161,721	177,525	6,903	5,995	
DEC15	176,311	171,448	7,079	6,185	

UNOFFICIAL EXPORTS DURING DEC 7-15 TOTALLED 176,311 TONS, UP 14,590 TONS FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK, AND DOWN 6,077 TONS TO THE FOUR WEEK MOVING AVERAGE OF 171,448 TONS. EXPORTS DURING JAN 1 - DEC 16 AMOUNTED TO 7,079,450TONS COMPARED WITH 6,184.843 TONS DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 2000.